

CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
October 10, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ed Dacy	Hiede Holmes
Sheryl Knowles	Jean Spohn
Daniel Mendes	Chris Ndifon

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Annie Morton

STAFF PRESENT:

Michael LaFreniere, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director
Steve Roemer, Parks Development and Operations Manager
Debbie Zemke, Recreation and Cultural Services Manager

GUESTS PRESENT:

Rob Johnson representing the B-Patch

Sheryl Knowles, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

AGENDA CONFIRMATION: The agenda was approved 6/0/0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

APPROVAL OF September, 2012 MINUTES: The minutes from the September meeting were approved - 6/0/0.

BUSINESS:

Cultural Services Division Report

Debbie started out with a trivia quiz about cultural activities in Burien. The answers were covered in her presentation. The city funds the following cultural enterprises: Moshier Arts Center , Arts Commission, Arts and culture grants, NWSO, HHS, Hi Liners, Choral Sounds NW, Symphonic Band, BLT. Public Art and City Wide Celebrations, \$20,000 is available for support.

B-Patch Season Report

Rob mentioned plans to plant a crab apple and to get certified by the National Wildlife Federation. Participants have all done their community service and no vandalism or pilfering of vegetables noted. Folks would like to add bee hives, although it is close to the kindergarden. Also, gardening classes were held at the B-patch.

Updates on Park Projects

Seahurst Park

Steve applied for two state grants of \$4.4 million each, in case the Corps does not get their federal funding again. These included the Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration program, and the Estuary and Salmon Recovery Program.

He also sent a letter to the Governor asking for \$1.2 M to make up for loss of funding from the Army Corps for this year. He will send the Corps a letter asking that the cost sharing provision be amended to allow Burien to contribute more than their 35% share.

Dottie Harper Park

Arsenic soil remediation work is done. He applied for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to replace playground and just received approval. Playground project will start next spring.

2013/2014 Budget Discussion

Steve reviewed the 2013-2014 PaRCS capital budget.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- Annie Morton announced her resignation.
- Dog Park volunteers went to council and got authorization for Parks to work with Advisory board on recommendations. First steps will be to resolve location, then hold neighborhood meeting and work with them on design.
- Changes to ordinances regarding advisory boards were on consent agenda for the city council.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND/OR QUESTIONS:

1. Health and Wellness Programming for all Ages
2. Candidate locations for dog park or off-leash areas , criteria needed for such a facility, demand in community for such a facility
3. Community Garden topics
4. Science and Ecology Education options- current and opportunities – nature clubs
5. Volunteer Services

The next meeting is Nov. 14, 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Submitted by Jean Spohn, Secretary